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Monthly Progress Report

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#### Section I

### Implementation of Recently Proposed Plans and Policies

- I. <u>b.</u> Foreign Documents Branch
  - (1) Processing of Periodicals
    - (a) The first five issues of Foreign Documents Branch Periodical Abstracts containing abstracts of current USSR periodicals were disseminated during the month. USSR and Far Eastern periodicals are now being received on loan from Intelligence Division, WDGS; Eastern European Desk, ONI; Technical Intelligence Center, ONI; Naval Research Laboratory; Library of Congress and Stanford University.

### Section II

#### Accomplishment of Overall Mission

II. <u>b.</u>

## (1) Production

The shortage of clerical personnel in Editorial Section has limited production to only 45% of the material received for publication during the month. Of the continuous flow of Industrial Plant File cards (standing backlog of 30,000 cards) into Editorial Section for publication 70% of the cards were disseminated. Similarly large backlogs have accumulated in ditto and stencil reproduction of intelligence reports and translations, besides a duplimat production backlog of Current Periodical Abstracts begun during July.